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INTELLIGENCE MEMORANDUM

Situation in the Dominican Republic
(Report #175 - As of 11:00 pm EDT)

1. During the past hour we have received no further information on the military situation in the Dominican Republic.

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3. A French news service broadcasted a letter from rebel "foreign minister" Jottin Cury at 7:42 pm EDT. In his second message to the foreign ministers of Canada and all the Latin American countries except Cuba, Cury calls attention to the "dangerous attitude adopted by the United States." He is further quoted as saying that the "US forces are violating the ceasefire concluded Wednesday by making tactical and provocative advances in Santo Domingo with a view to

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openly invading much of the country." According to Jottin the Dominican Republic is so determined to maintain its sovereignty, that "we are prepared for total sacrifice--the complete destruction of the people--rather than go on tolerating the humiliating condition in which we have been placed." Cury goes on to say that if the situation is not ended "we will withdraw from the Organization of American States and will trust to our own forces...we are firmly resolved, even if it means a holocaust for us, to put an end to this shameful chapter in the history of democracy in America, a chapter in which a country will have been lost but the honor of a nation will have been saved."

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